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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 24 May 2000.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 24 May 2000 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).
a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). _____
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) 4. 6) ☐ Other:

DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is responsive to communications: Application filed on 05/24/2000.
2. IDS filed on 05/24/2000.
3. Claims 1 - 16, are pending in this case. Claims 1, 6, 11, 14, 16 are independent claims.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-2, 4-17, 19-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Dodrill et al. U.S. patent No. US 6,578,000 B1 – filed Apr. 28, 2000.

Regarding independent claim 1, Figure 6 of Dodrill discloses a method in an application server configured for responding to hypertext transport protocol (HTTP) requests, the method comprising: storing, in response to a first HTTP request, an XML document that specifies for a user (see column 9 lines 22-24), a call number of a second party [214], retrieving the stored XML document based on a second HTTP request by the user, generating a first hypertext markup language (HTML) document, based on the retrieved XML document, having instructions including the call number for accessing the second party (see column 4 lines 39-46, and column 11 lines 44-47

[216]), and selectively generating a second HTML document, based on a prescribed input received from the second party, having instructions for connecting the second party with the user (see column 4 lines 48-64, and column 11 lines 58-61).

Regarding to dependent claim 2, Figure 5A of Dodrill discloses the stored XML document (see column 4 lines 24-25) includes a call number of the user and a prompt sequence for accessing the second party, the first HTML document including the prompt sequence (see column 9 lines 51-60, [122]) and the second HTML document including the call number of the user (see column 4 lines 51-56).

Regarding to dependent claim 3, Figure 5A of Dodrill discloses further comprising generating a third HTML document that specifies a form including entry fields (see [108a]) for the user's call number, the call number of the second party, and the prompt sequence (see [122]), respectively, the method including receiving an HTTP request including the form specifying the user's call number, the call number of the second party and the prompt sequence, respectively, in the entry field prior to the storing step (see column 4 lines 16-29).

Regarding to dependent claim 4, Figure 4 of Dodrill discloses the storing step includes dynamically generating the XML document [100] based on the form in the HTTP request (see column 9 lines 33-41):

Regarding to dependent claim 5, Figure 6 [218] of Dodrill discloses the instructions of the first HTML document include playing a voice message indicating to the second party that the user wants to speak with the second party (see column 11 lines 58-62).

Regarding to independent claim 6, Dodrill A method in an application server for executing a voice application, the method comprising: receiving an HTTP request requesting a voice application from a user, the voice application being specified in an XML document including information for connecting with a call number of the user and with a call number of a second party (see column 2 lines 32-35), generating a first hypertext markup language (HTML) document, based on the XML document, having instructions including the call number for accessing the second party (see column 4 lines 39-46, and column 11 lines 44-47 and Figure 6 [216]), and selectively generating a second HTML document, based on a prescribed input received from the second party, having instructions for connecting the second party with the user (see column 4 lines 48-64, and column 11 lines 58-61).

Regarding to dependent claim 7, Figure 5A of Dodrill discloses the XML document (see column 4 lines 24-25) includes a prompt sequence for accessing the second party, the first HTML document including the prompt sequence (see column 9 lines 51-60, [122]).

Regarding to dependent claim 8, the claim incorporates substantially similar subject matter as claim 3, and is rejected along the same rational.

Regarding to dependent claim 9, the claim incorporates substantially similar subject matter as claim 4, and is rejected along the same rational.

Regarding to dependent claim 10, the claim incorporates substantially similar subject matter as claim 5, and is rejected along the same rational.

Regarding independent claim 11, Dodrill discloses an application server configured for developing an executable voice application, the system including: an application runtime environment configured for generating a first hypertext markup language (HTML) document based on an XML document (see column 4 lines 4-9), the first HTML document having instructions including the call number for accessing the second party (see column 4 lines 39-46, and column 11 lines 44-47), and the application runtime environment generating a second HTML document based on a prescribed input received from the second party, the second HTML document having instructions for connecting the second party with the user, and a storage medium configured for storing the XML document (see column 4 lines 48-67 and column 5 lines 1-13).

Regarding to dependent claim 12, Dodrill discloses the application runtime environment is configured to insert an application parameter into an XML page (see Abstract lines 13-15) prior to generating the HTML documents (see column 4 lines 1-9).

Regarding to dependent claim 13, Figure 1 of Dodrill discloses the application runtime environment is configured for sending the First HTML document specifying a blank form for creation of the XML document in response to an initial HTTP request specifying creation of the XML document (see column 6 lines 60-67 and column 7 line1 and lines 41-58).

Regarding to independent claim 14, Dodrill discloses a computer readable medium having stored thereon sequences of instructions for executing a voice application, the sequences of instructions including instructions for performing the steps of: receiving, from a browser, an HTTP request that specifies a form having input application parameters specifying information for connecting with a call number of a user and with a call number of a second party (see column 2 lines 32-35), inserting the input application parameters into an XML document configured for defining an operation of the executable voice application (see column 4 lines 21-24), generating a first hypertext markup language (HTML) document, based on the XML document, having instructions including the call number for accessing the second party (see column 4 lines 39-46, and column 11 lines 44-47 [216]), and selectively generating a second HTML document, based on prescribed input received from the second party, having instructions for connecting the second party with the user (see column 4 lines 48-64, and column 11 lines 58-61).

Regarding to dependent claim 15, the claim incorporates substantially similar subject matter as claim 7, and is rejected along the same rational.

Regarding to independent claim 16, Dodrill discloses an application server for executing a voice application, the application server comprising: means for storing, in response to a first HTTP request, an XML document that specifies for a user, a call number of a second party (see Figure 6 [214] and column 9 lines 22-24), means for generating a first hypertext markup language (HTML) document, based on the XML document (see Figure 6 [216] and column 11 lines 44-47), having instructions including the call number for accessing the second party (see Figure 5B), and means for selectively generating a second HTML document, based on a prescribed input received from the second party, having instructions for connecting the second party with the user (see column 4 lines 48-64, and column 11 lines 58-61).

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Zirngibl et al.	Patent No. US 6,587,547 B1	Date of Patent: Jul. 1, 2003
Wolfe et al.	Patent No. US 6,507,817 B1	Date of Patent: Jan. 14, 2003
Bowater et al.	Patent No. US 6,052,367	Date of Patent: Apr. 18, 2000
Ladd et al.	Patent No. US 6,269,336 B1	Date of Patent: Jul. 31, 2001
Bobo, II	Patent No. US 6,350,066 B1	Date of Patent: Feb. 26, 2002
Monaco et al.	Patent No. US 6,314,402 B1	Date of Patent: Nov. 6, 2001

Contact Information

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication from the examiner should be directed to Dang Nguyen, who can be reached by telephone at (703) 305-1673. Normal contact times are M-F, 8-4:30.

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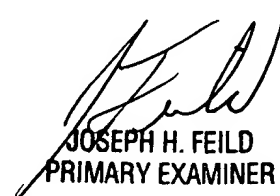
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